

**I. Call Meeting to Order**

Mayor Charles Henderson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance in unison after which Reverend Joe Bottorff, Pastor of Smith Valley Methodist Church, led in prayer.

PRESENT: Mayor Charles Henderson; Council Members Bruce Armstrong, Ron Bates, Ron Deer, Linda Gibson, Monica Magna-Rees, and Tim McLaughlin; Clerk Treasurer Jeannine Myers; City Attorney Shawna Koons.

**II. Minutes of the Regular Meeting on July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

Mr. Bates moved to approve the regular meeting minutes of the Greenwood Common Council of July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Second by Ms. Magna-Rees. **Vote: Ayes. Motion carries.**

**III. Unfinished Business**

**A. Items from the City Attorney**

City Attorney Shawna Koons asked the Council Members if they had received the copy of the report on the Matters of Litigation, and if there were any questions.

**B. Committee Reports**

Ms. Gibson stated that there was only one item of business at the Planning Commission meeting.

Mr. Deer stated that the Meet and Confer Committee had a meeting regarding the budget and gave a presentation. Mr. Deer spoke on using a spread versus a percentage increase for public safety official's salaries. Mayor Charles Henderson stated that it would need to be fair across the whole spectrum and it would be good to look into it. Mayor Charles Henderson stated that he is against shift differential. Mr. Deer commended everyone that had been a part of this issue. Mr. Armstrong stated that he thought that people who worked at night wanted to work that shift regardless of the extra money. Mr. McLaughlin stated that he has mixed emotions about shift differential. Mr. Bates stated that they are the first line of defense for the City and it seems reasonable that there should be some kind of incentive. Mr. Deer stated that it is common to have a shift differential and it should be given serious consideration. Further discussion regarding the details of different shifts followed. Mayor Charles Henderson asked if a spread should be considered for the whole City or just the public safety employees. Mr. Deer replied that it should be looked at City wide but should proceed with the public safety positions now. Mr. McLaughlin agreed that it should be City wide. Mr. Bates agreed it should be the whole City. Mayor Charles Henderson stated that it won't happen this year, the budget won't allow it, but now is the time to start looking into it. Ms. Gibson stated that it should be City wide.

**IV. Ordinances and Resolutions in Process**

**1. First Reading**

None.

**2. Second Reading**

None.

**3. New Business**

None.

**V. Miscellaneous Business**

**A. Council**

Mayor Charles Henderson stated that he would be going through the packets the Council Members had received for the budget. The Board of Public Works and Safety has an increase of \$376,900 because the Fire Department's health insurance is being added and \$80,000 for the election. There is \$112,872 for rent at the Emerson building but there is a proposal to add \$300,000 to the Board of Public Works and Safety budget to purchase the building along with the shooting range. There will be research on financing \$3,000,000 for the purchase. The Court also budgets \$65,000 for rent at the Emerson building as well. The shooting range lease is \$54,000 a year. The City is paying \$231,782 per year for rent but it is estimated that it would only cost \$300,000 per year to purchase the buildings. Mayor Charles Henderson stated that the City Building would only be used for meetings but would be shut down the rest of the time to save on utility and maintenance costs. Mayor Charles Henderson stated that he will be presenting a proposal later in the year for a major project for the City owned and rented buildings. This was put in the budget but there will be more information provided before it is approved. Mayor Charles Henderson stated that the Parks and Recreation Department is going to move the fulltime employee's wages and benefits of \$525,749 into the CCI budget. Doing that will put cash in the CCI fund and there wouldn't be a cash flow issue. Mayor Charles Henderson stated that the Chief of Police has put together a presentation of what has happened over the past five years and why there is a slight decrease to the Police Department's budget and will go over that another time. Mayor Charles Henderson stated that the salary ordinance will show a three percent increase but it will not be in the budget and we cannot afford it and it would be about \$500,000. If the revenues are better than expected in June then the funds could be appropriated for the last half of the year. Mayor Charles Henderson stated that the salary ordinance cannot be altered. Mr. Armstrong confirmed that the salary ordinance is not the actual salary but the maximum amount that can be paid for each position. Mr. Armstrong stated that the salary ordinance is changed on a frequent basis. Mayor Charles Henderson stated that it can be changed if there is a job description change. Other than the previously discussed changes everything else is pretty much the same as the year before.

Mayor Charles Henderson stated that some of the Council Members had attended the presentation by the Metropolitan Planning Organization proposing that the City doubles its dues and on the proposed mass transit. Ms. Gibson stated that there was also information on putting toll lanes on I-65 South. City Engineer and Director of Community Development Services Mark Richards spoke on the proposed pay lanes. Mr. Deer stated that this is about the possible increase of MPO contributions. Mr. Richards stated that the extra funds are for the proposed mass transit. Mr. Deer stated that he doesn't believe the proposed increased MPO contributions are included in the Council's budget. Clerk Treasurer Jeannine Myers stated that she and Council President Brent Corey would be going over the Council's budget in a week.

Ms. Gibson stated that the Senior Citizen's Center is looking for more funding as they have increased maintenance issues.

Mayor Charles Henderson stated that a letter to Bargersville had been distributed to the Council Members that was written by Council President Brent Corey and needs the Council's approval to be mailed.

Mr. Bates asked if there was a moratorium on the sign code. Mayor Charles Henderson stated that he had asked that it still be enforced but to use some discretion. Ms. Gibson stated that the next sign code meeting is on July 28<sup>th</sup> 2010 at the Emerson building at 10:00 a.m.

#### **B. Clerk Treasurer**

Clerk Treasurer Jeannine Myers stated that the Tax Settlement was received on time this year.

Clerk Treasurer Jeannine Myers stated that she had distributed the proposed budget revenues and a proposed budget calendar for 2011.

#### **C. City Attorney**

None.

#### **D. Audience**

None.

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**E. Mayor**

None.

**VI. Adjournment**

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Approved by the Common Council of the City of Greenwood, Indiana, this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2010.

Charles E. Henderson  
Mayor Charles Henderson

Jeannine Myers  
Clerk Treasurer Jeannine Myers

